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Re: Finance Docket No. 35468  
Pinelawn Cemetery -- Petition for Declaratory Order

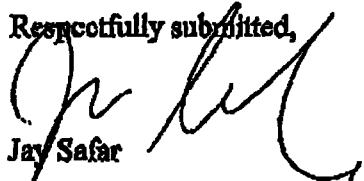
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On February 24, 2011 the Board served its decision in this proceeding granting New York & Atlantic Railway's request to extend the filing deadline for replies to Pinelawn's petition to March 7, 2011. Because this proceeding involves property rights of The Long Island Rail Road ("LIRR"), we anticipate responding to the petition. LIRR is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and anticipates it may take some time for internal review of the issues raised by the petition.

Counsel for the LIRR has conferred with counsel for Pinelawn and New York & Atlantic Railway, who have consented to a further extension of the filing date for replies to May 13, 2011. Accordingly, LIRR requests that the Board set May 13, 2011 as the due date for all replies to Pinelawn's petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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